

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ON TECHNOLOGY SERVICES MEETING Wednesday, October 27, 1999

Council Attendees:

Secretary Upson, Cheryl Clark, Ray Davis, Jan Fatouros, Joy Hughes, Patricia Jackson (for Erv Blythe), Pete Kolakowski, Ken Mittendorff, David Molchany, Ed Morris, Mike O'Neil, Gerry Pacyna, Rick Parks, Jim Peters, Naseem Reza, David Sullivan, Mike Thomas, Greg Weisiger (for Lan Neugent), Bill Wilson, Dan Ziomek (for Jerry Simonoff).

Secretary Upson called the meeting to order. He announced that the Governor had approved the transfer of statewide procurement authority to the Secretary of Technology on a one-year interim basis with a review to follow. DIT will staff this function.

Secretary Upson asked Pete Kolakowski, Dave Molchany and David Sullivan to review the hardware contract and its consistency with the direction the Commonwealth is taking regarding seat management. He asked the group to make any necessary modifications and recommend a course of action at the November 17 COTS meeting.

Secretary Upson would like to see COTS develop an E-commerce solution for technology products and services, which is highly competitive and attracts multi-vendor environments.

Andy Poarch reported on the IT Compensation and Classification Workgroup. Secretary Slater endorsed and put forward the performance bonuses and sign-ons. The cost to implement the program will be \$14 million and will be presented to the Governor for consideration in the budget.

Leslie Carter reported the new Telecommunications Workgroup met twice. The group will examine the need for teleco equipment and service contracts in the areas of video, voice and data. One objective is to seek to include multi-vendor contracts in the statewide procurement. She stressed the importance of users having a good knowledge of the contracts.

David Sullivan reported the State Local Applications and Network Integration Workgroup is completing a report with recommendations in both the "single pipeline" and application development areas. The group is also examining Voice Over IP.

Rick Parks of the Gainsharing Partnership Workgroup discussed the [presentation on the COTS Information Exchange](#), which is co-sponsored by Lgov.org. The site can be accessed at www.Lgov.org/COTS-IX. George November will demonstrate the website and members are encouraged to join.

Dan Ziomek reported on the Organizational Workgroup. He reminded folks to visit the [EA page on the COTS website](#). The architecture is in final draft and will be used to organize the main architecture. The group will be conducting a survey of larger agencies to review documentation used to support the Y2K effort to establish an "as is" architecture for the Commonwealth.

Jan Fatouros reported on the Procurement Workgroup and the implementation of the on-line vendor-based registration. They are also working to streamline access to the procurement contracts.

Cheryl Clark, on behalf of the Privacy, Security and Access (PSA) Workgroup, presented a [report on Digital Signatures](#) (.pdf document). The report's purpose was to outline a course-of-action for the Commonwealth to follow in deploying digital signatures statewide. The report was the product of the PSA Workgroup, which received comments during its deliberations from a variety of interested and affected government and industry sources. At the conclusion of the [presentation](#) Ms. Clark entertained questions and offered the opportunity for Workgroup members, or others, to comment further.

This concluded the business portion of the meeting.